

Chemotherapy for Stage III Colon Cancer Patients

*This measure is to be reported for all patients aged 18–80 years with colon cancer — **once** per reporting period.*

Measure description

Percentage of stage III colon cancer patients aged 18–80 years who were prescribed chemotherapy

What will you need to report for each patient with colon cancer for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

- Whether or not you prescribed or documented chemotherapy as received for Stage III colon cancer patients¹

What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

There may be times when it is not appropriate that chemotherapy is prescribed or documented as received for Stage III colon cancer patients, due to:

- Documented reasons (eg, colon cancer patient is not eligible for chemotherapy)

In these cases, you will need to indicate that a documented reason applies, specify the reason on the worksheet and in the medical chart. The office/billing staff will then report the G-code that represents these valid reasons (also called exclusions.)

¹Neoadjuvant and adjuvant chemotherapy should be reported. The reporting clinician is not required to have written the initial prescription; 'prescribed' can include managing treatment started by another clinician.

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PQRI Data Collection Sheet

Patient's Name	Practice Medical Record Number (MRN)	Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy) / /	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
National Provider Identifier (NPI)		Date of Service	

Clinical Information

Billing Information

Step 1 Is patient eligible for this measure?			
	Yes	No	Code Required on Claim Form
Patient is aged 18–80 years.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Verify date of birth on claim form.
Patient has a diagnosis of colon cancer.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refer to coding specifications document for list of applicable codes.
There is a CPT E/M Service Code for this visit.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If No is checked for any of the above, STOP. Do not report a G-code.			
Step 2 Does patient meet or have an acceptable reason for not meeting the measure?			
Chemotherapy	Yes	No	Code to be Reported on Line 24D of Paper Claim Form, if Yes (or Service Line 24 of Electronic Claim Form)
Prescribed or received (for Stage III colon cancer patients) ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	G8372
Not prescribed or received for the following reason: • Documented reasons (eg, clinician documentation that colon cancer patient is not eligible for chemotherapy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	G8377
Document reason here and in medical chart. _____ _____			If No is checked for all of the above, report G8371 (Chemotherapy documented as not received or prescribed for Stage III colon cancer patients.)

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Coding Specifications

Codes required to document patient has colon cancer and a visit occurred:

An ICD-9 diagnosis code for colon cancer and a CPT E/M service code are required to identify patients to be included in this measure.

Colon cancer ICD-9 diagnosis codes

- 153.0, 153.1, 153.2, 153.3, 153.4, 153.5, 153.6, 153.7, 153.8, 153.9 (malignant neoplasm of colon)

AND

CPT E/M service codes

- 99201, 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 (office-new patient),
- 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215 (office-established patient),
- 99218, 99219, 99220 (initial observation),
- 99221, 99222, 99223 (initial inpatient),
- 99231, 99232, 99233 (subsequent inpatient),
- 99234, 99235, 99236 (observation or inpatient),
- 99241, 99242, 99243, 99244, 99245 (outpatient consult),
- 99251, 99252, 99253, 99254, 99255 (inpatient consult)

Quality codes for this measure (one of the following for every eligible patient):

G-Code descriptors

(Data Collection sheet should be used to determine appropriate combination of codes.)

- **G8372:** Chemotherapy documented as received or prescribed for Stage III colon cancer patients
- **G8377:** Clinician documentation that colon cancer patient is not eligible for the chemotherapy measure
- **G8371:** Chemotherapy documented as not received or prescribed for Stage III colon cancer patients

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